## Agenda items for Steering Group meeting on Tuesday 28th March

Group to meet at Sandstone Cottage at 7.30pm.

#### Agenda items.

- 1. Review of "Progress to date", -- main steps completed.
- 2. Next steps, dependent upon,
  - -- Outcome of Site Assessments by HDC & NYMNPA
  - -- Outcome of Local Plan revision.
  - -- List steps.
- 3. Neighbourhood Plan document;
  - -- Main messages.
  - -- List of chapters.
  - -- Authors of chapters, volunteers?
- 4. AOB
- 5. Next meeting

# Notes of N.Plan Steering Group meeting on Tuesday 28th March 2017

### 1. Achieved to-date.

The Neighbourhood Plan is to be focused entirely on the provision of additional housing for the parish and to serve a range of different needs. To support the Plan with **evidence** of the various needs we already have two primary sources of information collected by teams of community volunteers;

- a, the Community Plan, which in 2011/12 contained the outcome of a comprehensive housing survey, conducted together with Hambleton District Council.
- b, the results of the housing survey conducted in 2016, again with the help of Hambleton District Council.

These surveys have enabled us to quantify both the number and type of properties needed immediately and for the next 5 years. A less accurate estimate of needs for the next 10 years has also been collected.

In addition to evaluating the **property** needs of the parish we have identified four plots of **land** that have been submitted to HDC and NYMNPA for assessment, with a view to them being included in the forthcoming Local Plans of both authorities. Those Local Plans will be in force until 2035.

#### 2. Current situation.

We are now awaiting the outcome of the site assessments being carried out by the two authorities, on the four sites submitted by our parish landowners. Two sites have been submitted for use - as soon as needed, and two sites will become available for use after 2027. Our hope is that the authorities will accept enough sites to enable a phased progression of property development, to meet the housing needs identified by future housing surveys.

As soon as the two authorities inform us of the outcome of the site assessments we will hold another Open Meeting and discuss the results of the assessments with the community.

## 3. The Neighbourhood Plan document.

While waiting for the outcome of the site assessments we can make some progress with the writing of the Plan. Suggestions for **some** of the chapters are;

- 1, History of the 2 villages, Origins to 1960's
- 2, Background of Housing to 1960's. Occupants, house style & materials.
- 3, Housing from 1960's to present time.

First commercial housing development. Brick built . No affordable homes.

Private Rentals at market value. Influx of owners from industrial Teesside.

**Consequence** of above; No increase in population in 30 years. No first homes for youngsters either size, type, or cost. No homes for young families.

i.e. Stagnation in housing.

**Result o**f stagnation—loss of facilities and amenities. Threat to school through declining numbers.

- 4, Ammenities and facilities lost since 1960's
- 5, Parish Demographics, showing the ageing population and decline In the number of young people.
- 6, Current housing "Stock" in parish.
- 7, What is needed to revitalise the village?

Properties for;

Old residents to downsize into, and release their large properties onto the Market.

The young families and "first time buyers" needing affordable homes. Young families who can afford market prices .

(The 2 housing surveys in 2012 and 2016 both confirmed this mix of needs)

8, Why has there been no new housing in the past 30 plus years??

**Planning restrictions** with impossibly tight development boundary, allowing only "in-fill" building of 2 or 3 houses or "exception sites" of only affordable houses. Neither of which would provide the mixed development needed.

- 9, What HAS been done in an attempt to secure new homes?
  - a, The PC has approved the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan focused solely on new housing.